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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Goddard et al.)
Serial No.: 10/735,014)
Filing Date: December 12, 2003) Examiner: Sumesh Kaushal
For: SECRETED AND TRANSMEMBRANE) Group Art Unit No.: 1636
POLYPEPTIDES AND NUCLEIC)
ACIDS ENCODING THE SAME)

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office action mailed November 1, 2005 and the Advisory Action mailed February 22, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application, Applicants hereby request consideration of the following arguments and continued examination. Applicants have submitted herewith a petition for a one-month extension of time within which to respond to the final Office action along with the necessary fees. Therefore, Applicants believe this response is timely filed.

The Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.